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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 28, 2002**

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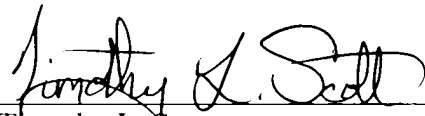
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including February 13, 2003 in which to respond to the Office Action dated August 13, 2002. This three-month extension will bring the due date to February 13, 2003, which is within the six-month statutory period.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a process fee in the amount of \$930.00 for a three-month extension of time is due. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees, or any additional fees due, under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Sulzer Medica Deposit Account No. 09-0473.

The Examiner is invited to contact Timothy L. Scott at 713-934-4089 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

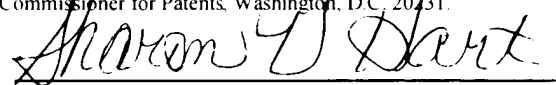
Respectfully submitted,



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